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| <p>Leslie Cook, CMC City of Santa Cruz Dated August 6, 2002 File Number: I-02-061</p> | <p>A request that the Commission review the campaign ordinance for the City of Santa Cruz to ensure that the ordinance does not conflict with the Political Reform Act is addressed in this letter.</p> |
| <p>Diane Fishburn CalPERS Dated August 22, 2002 File Number: I-02-196</p> | <p>When an election cycle commences for CalPERS elections and the filing obligations belonging to primarily formed committees for a CalPERS board election are discussed in this letter.</p> |
| Conflict of Interest | |
| <p>Steven T. Mattas City of Milpitas Dated August 22, 2002 File Number: A-02-076</p> | <p>Based on the analysis of factors described in regulation 18706(b), it is not reasonably foreseeable that a planning commissioner's economic interests will be materially affected by a decision on a housing element.</p> |
| <p>Marguerite P. Battersby City of Adelanto Dated August 12, 2002 File Number: I-02-141</p> | <p>A city attorney was advised that since Govt. Code § 995 entitles the mayor to a defense in a civil action over his on-the-job decisions at public expense, the mayor has no economic interest in his personal finances at stake, and may vote on those decisions concerning litigation against the city or himself, in his official capacity. Regulation 18702.4 permits the mayor to be involved in the city's decision whether to retain separate counsel for his defense, since this decision is considered a decision relating to the terms or conditions of his employment. Plaintiff city council members do not fall under Govt. Code § 995 and thus, their personal finances may be affected by governmental decisions concerning this litigation, as they have a disqualifying conflict of interest.</p> |
| <p>Heather C. McLaughlin City of Benicia Dated August 7, 2002 File Number: A-02-132</p> | <p>The officials have a conflict of interest with respect to both the sale of the lot beyond the 500-foot boundary as well as the construction of the affordable housing units within the 500-foot boundary if the decisions are interlinked. If the decisions may be segregated, one of the officials can participate in the decisions.</p> |
| <p>George Fuller Teachers Association of West Covina Dated August 20, 2002 File Number: I-02-189</p> | <p>General advice is provided concerning what constitutes a gift and details are given describing the disclosure requirements for a gift. This advice letter also gives a general conflict-of-interest analysis concerning gifts, as well as a segmentation overview.</p> |
| <p>Shahir Haddad Department of Toxic Substances Control Dated August 28, 2002 File Number: I-02-199</p> | <p>A general discussion of conflict-of-interest laws as applied to an engineer for the Department of Toxic Substances Control who wants to obtain part-time consulting employment in addition to his present employment.</p> |

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| <p>Lee Yarborough Transportation Agency of Monterey County Dated August 13, 2002 File Number: G-02-212</p> <p>Howard Laks, AIA City of Santa Monica Dated August 16, 2002 File Number: A-02-215</p> | <p>No advice provided on incompatible offices. General assistance regarding conflicts of interest.</p> <p>A member of the Santa Monica Architectural Review Board was advised that he may appear before the city planning commission in his private capacity, to present an appeal of an ARB ruling against his client's development proposal. The planning commission is not the same agency as, or under the budgetary authority of the ARB. In this presentation, the official must not represent himself as speaking in his official capacity.</p> |
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| David R. Chapman Port of San Diego Dated August 20, 2002 File Number: A-02-115 | The San Diego Port District seeks clarification of the port district’s jurisdiction for purposes of financial reporting under § 87302 of the Act. The port district was advised that their jurisdiction for financial reporting purposes, extends to the geographic boundaries within which the port district exercises any facet of its jurisdiction. In light of 1996 amendments to the San Diego Unified Port District Act, the financial reporting obligations extend to economic interests located in the corporate areas of San Diego, Coronado, Chula Vista, National City and Imperial, and the unincorporated territory in San Diego County contiguous thereto, and economically linked to the development and operation of San Diego Bay. |
| Gift Limits | |
| Lisa A. Foster City of San Diego Dated August 28, 2002 File Number: I-02-213 | A general discussion of the concepts underlying the notion that payments made at an elected official's behest for an event honoring a public service non-profit organization are not contributions to the elected official since the payments for the event are principally for charitable purposes. |
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| Margit Aramburu Delta Protection Commission Dated August 30, 2002 File Number: A-02-156 | For purposes of reporting, an individual assumes office when he or she is authorized to serve by being sworn in, making a governmental decision, or otherwise being authorized to serve, whichever is earlier. |
| Lorraine M. Walsh Contra Costa County Superior Court Dated August 7, 2002 File Number: A-02-201 | All superior court justices have statewide jurisdiction for purposes of completing the statement of economic interests, regardless of whether their employment is permanent or temporary. |
| Small Contributor Committee | |
| Denise Headrick Public Employees Union Local One Dated August 27, 2002 File Number: A-02-197 | Discusses section 85203 and regulation 18503(a)(3) with regard to when and how an existing committee can become a small contributor committee. Existing committees can be “cleansed” of past contributions in excess of \$200 when a small contributor committee is initially formed. A small contributor committee is formed through creation of a new committee or an old committee amending its statement of organization. |